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(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re DIV'L Application of Serial No. 09/417,945

Applicant(s): Randall I. Grimes

Application No.: Not Yet Assigned

Filing Date: Filed Herewith

For: DEVICES AND METHODS FOR  
PERCUTANEOUS MITRAL VALVE REPAIR

Group Art Unit: (Parent Appl.: 3731)

Examiner: (Parent Appl.: U. Ho)

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the fees, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**In the Specification**

Following the title, please add the following:

**-- Related Applications**

This application is a divisional of application serial number 09/417,945, filed on October 13, 1999, and titled "Devices and Methods for Percutaneous Mitral Valve Repair." - -

**In the Claims**

Please cancel claims 22-26.

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